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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

h re the Application of:

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Taichiro MIYAO et al.

Examiner: H. M. Hyeon

Application No.: 10/541,759

Art Unit: 2839

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For: OPTICAL RECEPTACLE ADAPTED FOR

CONNECTION TO AN OPTICAL PLUG (as amended)

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Sir:

I. INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the final Office Action dated January 26, 2007, and the Advisory Action mailed on April 2, 2007, and prior to examination on the merits after filing the attached Request for Continued Examination under Rule 114, please amend the above-identified application as set forth below.

Claim 1-13 and 15-20 is pending in the application. By this amendment, claim 1 is amended and claim 20 is added.

II. AMENDMENTS TO THE DRAWINGS

(There are no amendments to the drawings)

III. AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

(There are no amendments to the specification)